

**SCHOOL-OWNED VEHICLES,
USE OF SEATBELTS**

The use of seat belts in school-owned vehicles is mandatory for all personnel using vehicles that are equipped with seat belts.

Drivers of school vehicles, except school buses, are responsible for ensuring that all passengers use safety belts. Drivers will not move their vehicles until they and all passengers have fastened their seat belts.

On school buses equipped with passenger seat belts, each passenger is responsible for fastening the seat belt while seated. The driver is responsible for instructing all riders of mandatory seat belt use when a new bus so equipped is placed into service. The driver will monitor seat belt usage in the same manner as rider conduct is monitored and will take appropriate corrective or disciplinary action. The driver cannot be responsible, however, for ensuring that all riders have fastened their seat belts and keep their seat belts fastened at all times.

REFERENCE: 47 O.S. § 11-1112